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## THINK OF THE HARVEST:—

Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.—Galatians 6:7.

Faith requires a purpose that shall embrace the whole of life, that shall concentrate all its manifestations and direct its diverse modes, or subordinate them to the controlling activity of a single one; it requires a fervid, unshaken belief that that purpose shall be attained; the profound conviction of a mission and the obligation to fulfill it; finally, the consciousness of a supreme power that guards the believer's progress to his goal.—Joseph Mazzini.

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## POLITICS AND THE PUBLIC

THINGS have reached a deplorable state when measures aimed and intended for the benefit of public good are handicapped by petty party politics. Oklahoma has just about reached the limit in some directions.

Jules Schevitz, general secretary of the Oklahoma Public Health Association, charges that a bill providing for child hygiene and public health nursing failed because of political reasons. Politics hindered the opening of the state tuberculosis sanitariums at Clinton, Tahmina and Boley by insufficient appropriations, he said.

That is only one of many cases that could be pointed out.

Law enforcement is handicapped by faction and party politics, and no state in the southwest needs better enforcement than Oklahoma.

Politics is being blamed for rotten postal service in many cities in the state.

Chambers of commerce are being put on the "unclassified" list because of faction beliefs.

It's a pretty hard job for teachers to get in some schools unless they are of the same party as the school board members.

The American Legion has to fight continually to keep its hands clean.

Several of the charitable institutions of the state were handicapped by "unsuccessful funds because of politics."

Many newspapers in Oklahoma were fed from a political "slush fund" bowl during the elections of last year, and many of these papers cast their policy to the wind in favor of the highest bidder.

Politics alone cost the state of Oklahoma the expense of the special session of the legislature this spring.

Every day the public is paying the price of petty politics and public institutions are suffering. Truly, things are in a deplorable state of affairs, when conditions such as these exist.

Fifty cities in Oklahoma are in a Better Cities Contest which was inaugurated by the Shawnee Rotary Club. That is one game of chance which is going to mean a whole lot to this old state—not forgetting what the oil game of chance did for it.

Southeastern Oklahoma is having an epidemic of revival meetings again this fall after having had a double dose of it during the summer.

If a vocabulary is acquired by association, we've met some people who have lived alone all their lives.

## GILBERT OF PENNY STORE TALKS ONLY OF REAL OPTIMISM

R. E. Gilbert, manager of the local branch of the J. C. Penny Company, speaking of conditions throughout America, says, "Optimism and a determination—that nothing could defeat has spelled success for the J. C. Penny Company. When the slump in prices came last fall the J. C. Penny Company took a \$3,000,000 loss on its inventory; took it cheerfully and without complaint, making it possible to base selling prices on replacement values.

"We refused to talk hard times, refused to believe there were hard times and optimism and strict attention to business have made the year of 1921 an epoch-making year in our organization.

"In the face of crop failures and other seemingly adverse conditions we went steadily forward and have thus far in 1921 made a gain in sales of \$5,000,000 over the same period last year.

"We have our fingers crossed and should our organization consist of 312 stores covering 35 states. Thus, we have our fingers on the pulse of a large portion of the United States. Reports are coming in on every hand of splendid business—that people are appreciating the savings found in a J. C. Penny Store more than ever before.

"While other firms and individuals are just beginning to practice economy and thrift, the J. C. Penny Company has the advantage in this respect of 19 years of training and practice. "Optimism, economy, thrift and a desire to be of real service to our customers have been four of the strongest planks in our platform.

"Thrift and economy make a man, as well as an organization, free. It frees from debt, it keeps the money moving and puts business on a sound basis.

"Ardmore has been more fortunate than some other localities, not so much because it has had superior advantages in a financial way, as that it has found itself the happy possessor

## WHAT IS WORTH DYING FOR?

THE other day a man in a small western city gave his life for a bungalow. He may have thought himself a hero defending the principle that "a man's home is his castle." He had rented a bungalow. The rent was raised and when he declined to pay the increase, the bungalow was rented to others. He refused to yield possession, a scuffle took place, and somebody shot him mortally.

No genuine "cause" was at stake here. The man died to establish no principle in the world. His death was merely a terrible result of human irritation. He happened to die over the high cost of living. The high cost of living interests us, but the man's death lowered the high cost of living by a penny—no man in his right mind would think of dying to accomplish that—and he might just as well have died for a coca-cola or a cake of castile soap. His death gives nothing to the world save a feeling of pity and despair. That men should die in pettiness instead of nobility seems like a slap in the face of life.

The number of true martyrs in the history of the world is very slight. And even martyrs, though they themselves are noble, are forced to their martyrdom by the pettiness or narrowness of their fellows. Even wars may be classed as great exaggerations of personal quarrels. They usually come about because men are mistaken in their conception of what things are worth while and what things are worth fighting and dying for.

A man quarrels with a street car conductor who tells him he failed to pay his nickel or his six cents. He says bitter things; he snarls; he doubles up his fists. He stands on his "rights," strikes the conductor, and knocks him from the car. The conductor is injured so badly that he dies, and the assailant goes to prison for manslaughter. It wasn't the nickel or the six cents that he fought about; it was "the principle of the thing."

From personal tragedies like this rise those incidents which drive nations into conflict and drag millions to destruction. We shall have "world wars" just as long as men believe that the family quarrel is inevitable. And the glib theory that the world needs a great war every now and then to rejuvenate the blood of its citizens is merely another wicked extension of the theory that a family dispute "clears the home atmosphere." We have yet to greet the historian who has the courage or the impudence to write that the generations of today are stronger to face the problems of life than in the years prior to 1914.

## PUNCTUALITY

WHEN I was young my soul was tired, my heart was sore and hot; for I was nearly always fired from every job I got. I suffered from many a grievous shock before I learned to see that 1 o'clock is 1 o'clock and 3 o'clock is 3. I'd loom up late for work each day and thought that fact no crime; but when I went to draw my pay I always was on time. The boss would say, "At half-past two, do this or 'tother chore'; and I'd reflect, "That stunt will do as well at half-past four." So I was always being fired, as you will understand; no sooner was I nicely hired than I was neatly canned. It took me long to realize that promptness is a thing that all the merchant princes prize and all wise poets sing. It took me long to grasp the truth that heedlessness of time is fatal to aspiring youth who'd reach a goal sublime. I'd waste the golden hours in talk and seldom kept a date; if I was due at 6 o'clock I'd make my bow at 8. Then I resolved to mend my ways, these facts were realized; and I lined up with happy jays whose services are prized.—Walt Mason.

Ninety-nine parrots, while being brought to New York on a steamer, were taught how to swear. Now comes the conservative Associated Press to tell us that with the exception of three all were sold to old maids. Which shows that women must have something about the house that swears.

The Hugo Daily News wants to know if locks were put on the Panama Canal because it is so near Mexico.

Well, the Giants won, the Yanks lost and some of the New York fans are happy while others are sore. That's the way of life.

## MEXICO OFFERS MANY GREAT OPPORTUNITIES, RYDER SAYS

J. W. Ryder of the Municipal Engineering company of this city returned yesterday from a three weeks trip through the republic of Mexico. Mr. Ryder expresses himself as being highly pleased and somewhat surprised at the rapidity with which that unfortunate country, after practically ten years of revolution, bloodshed and destruction, is adjusting itself to normal conditions and assuming the upper hand over bolshevism and organized graft.

"It is difficult," said Mr. Ryder, "and extremely presumptuous for an outsider to assume that he is smart enough to get a correct view of actual business and political conditions in a country as large and as complex as Mexico, from a Pullman window, but I visited all sections of the republic from Monterey to the isthmus of Tehuantepec, including Saltillo, Mexico City and Puebla. I talked to educated bankers, business men and 'boomers' and Spaniards and Mexicans of all classes in an endeavor to determine definitely whether it was a 'safe bet,' and my conclusion is: 'Mexico today offers untold opportunities for investment and big business in all lines. This opinion is not mine alone for it is a notable fact that there never was a time when so many adverse reports were being circulated as to conditions there and it is a significant fact that big interests are actively engaged in grabbing everything in sight.'"

"As for my concern, I was successful in lining up construction contracts, including paving, water and sewers running well above a million and a half pesos (\$750,000). Payments are to be made half cash and the balance running 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 years, guaranteed by the municipality and the state, and I am informed by bankers along the border who are closely in touch with the situation that they consider the risk a good one."

**One Disturbing Factor**  
"There is only one disturbing feature to my mind and that is the fact that President Obregon has an inborn dislike for Americans and is decidedly bull-headed. My impression is that he is honest and has at heart a desire to do his best for his people and to put Mexico right in the eyes of the world, but I think he is 'flirting with the undertaker.' I shall not be surprised if by the first of January his friends are not speaking of him in the past tense. Understand, I do not think there is the slightest danger of a peon revolution for the people at large from the lowest to the highest want no more revolution, and any change will come with a single pistol shot, a new face in heaven and a new president. For he has unfortunately surrounded himself with a choice bunch of bolsheviks and chronic grafters. His attempts to choke them off, while diplomatic and gradual, are not much to the liking of those

who have so long been licensed to graft everything that looked like real money. Then his policy of cutting up big estates and distributing them among the peons is not to the liking of the hacienda owners. Both these powerful classes are angered; then too, his attitude in refusing to sign a treaty which must come before recognition and which must guarantee protection to foreign property rights and interests is gradually arousing the ire of the best business interests."

"While I was in Mexico City, General Goethals, Lamont and other representatives of big business in the United States were there and the opinion was freely expressed that President Obregon would finally see the light and sign on the dotted line in self defense, but my own opinion is, that if he does not sign as president within a very few months someone

else will and that by the first of the year everyone will see in Mexico what I see today, one of the finest opportunities for big money that has presented itself in years.

## Notice

The Independent Grocery company of Wirt, Oklahoma has sold its interest in the concern to Frank Whitaker and R. V. Woods, who have assumed charge. All bills made prior to September 21, will be accounted for by the new firm. The store will be located on the Roxana lease in section 8 and will hereafter be known as the Whitaker and Woods Grocery company. 28-30

## HENS "ROLL THEIR OWN"; HIGH EGG RECORDS FOLLOW

STILLWATER, Okla.—As a result of eight years' feeding tests at the United States department of agriculture poultry farm at Beltsville, Md., a mash feed has been compounded

which gives uniform high egg production. This mash, which has been tested for three years, is made of 4 per cent bran, 4 per cent middlings, 26 per cent meat scraps and 66 per cent corn meal.

In the experiments the hens were allowed to select their own mash ingredients.

This is the proportion of those different feeds which they ate during the year. Several pens of 30 hens each, both of Leghorns and of Rhode Island Reds, have averaged from 140 to 155 eggs apiece while this mash was fed.

While the mash seems to be especially adapted to Leghorns it has given very good results with Reds, Wyandottes and Plymouth Rocks were found to get too fat on the ration and a mash somewhat lower in meat scraps has given better results with these breeds. Both the Wyandottes and Plymouth Rocks at Beltsville are large standard sized fowls. The tendency to become overfat on this mash probably would not be found in a smaller type of Plymouth Rocks, such as is often found on commercial farms.

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4 cups flour 1 tablespoon shortening  
1 teaspoon salt 1 1/4 cups milk  
6 teaspoons Dr. Price's Baking Powder

Sift together flour, salt and baking powder; rub in shortening; add milk, and mix with spoon to smooth dough easy to handle on floured board. Turn out dough; knead quickly a few times to impart smoothness; divide into small pieces; form each by hand into short, rather thick tapering rolls; place on greased pans and allow to stand in warm place 15 to 20 minutes; brush with milk. Bake in very hot oven. When almost baked brush again with melted butter. Bake 10 minutes longer and serve hot. If a glazed finish is desired, before taking from oven brush over with yolk of egg which has been mixed with a little cold water.

These rolls make excellent sandwiches, using for fillings either lettuce and mayonnaise, sliced or chopped ham, chopped seasoned cucumbers, egg and mayonnaise with a very little chopped onion and parsley, or other filling desired.

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